

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims set forth in the Official Action are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Examiner indicated that claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17 and 20 needed further clarification. Applicant has amended the claims to address the Examiner's rejections, and therefore respectfully requests that the objections be withdrawn. By this Amendment, Applicant does not intend to relinquish any subject matter.

Status of Claims:

Claims 1-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Claims 23, 24 and 25 have been added.

Claims 4, 6, 9, 10, 11, 14 and 19 have been canceled.

Claims 1-25 are currently pending.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

Respectfully submitted,



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